

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Legal Legislative Committee**

Regina Gasco-Bentley, Chairperson

Winnay Wemigwase, Secretary

Aaron Otto, Member

Meeting Location: 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49770 Tribal Court/Room 312

**MINUTES
May 11, 2012**

Call to Order: 10:18 am

Committee Member Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley, Councilor Aaron Otto

Absent: Secretary Winnay Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Donna Budnick, Michele LaCount, General Counsel Jim Bransky

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Human Services Director Denneen Smith, Law Enforcement Chief Cobe, Vice Chair Julie Shananaquet

Guests: Prosecutor Matt Lesky, Councilor Melvin Kiogima (by phone), Councilor Kevin Gasco

Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Chairperson Gasco-Bentley to adopt the agenda of April 11, 2012 as presented.

Vote: 2 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Secretary Wemigwase)

Minutes

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Chairperson Gasco-Bentley to approve the Minutes of April 11, 2012.

Vote: 2 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Secretary Wemigwase)

Secretary Wemigwase arrives at 10:23 am

General Business

- a) Child Protection Statute

Discussion held on Child Protection Statute for recommendations to Tribal Council.

- b) Human Services Department Statute and Commission Statute-tabled

- c) Citizens Legal Assistance Statute, Fiscal Impact Statement-tabled

- d) Employee Handbook-tabled

- e) Certification Page for Certified Motions-tabled

- f) Civil Traffic Amendment

Discussion held on Civil Traffic Amendment for recommendations to Tribal Council.

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Chairperson Gasco-Bentley to recommend to Tribal Council to pass and approve the Civil Traffic Amendment, with revisions.

Vote: 2 -Yes, 1-No, (Councilor Otto) 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Discussion held on Citizens Legal Assistance Statute. Tabled for further discussion.

Old Business

- a) Amend the Special Prosecutor for Vacancies

- b) Legal – Court case updates

- c) Old Resolutions Review

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the next Legal and Legislative Committee meeting set for May 30, 2012, at 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Public Comment: Michele LaCount commented on the Civil Traffic Amendment regarding helmets.

Next Meeting: May 30, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjourn

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to adjourn meeting at 5:09 p.m.

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent